

## ***Interactive comment on “The role of mixotrophic protists in the biological carbon pump” by A. Mitra et al.***

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This is an interesting paper. The focus, as indicated, is on phagotrophy as a form of mixotrophy. Osmotrophy whilst recognised and mentioned as being important is not addressed. Can the authors provide some indication as to the relative importance of both mechanisms in terms of understanding mixotrophy or is this just not known?

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